

PHRAGMITES COMMUNIS IN SOUTH CAROLINA

Phragmites communis Trinius, the tall reed, is a coarse rhizomatous perennial reed forming extensive colonies in open marshy habitats in almost every state of the eastern United States. It occurs sporadically in the southeastern states but has not been previously recorded in South Carolina or Georgia (Radford *et al.*, 1968). It does occur sporadically in North Carolina, favoring a few of the northeastern and southeastern counties.

A large colony of *Phragmites* was discovered by the author in Georgetown County, South Carolina, covering an area of several hundred square meters. The colony is located approximately 100 meters west of the Waccamaw River (at high tide) and 125 meters north of Route 17 South. Vouchers of immature specimens were collected and are on deposit at the herbarium of the University of South Carolina, Columbia, South Carolina.

LITERATURE CITED

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